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In re Application of:
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F6r: MODULE COMPONENT AND METHOD)
OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME)

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Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed December 18, 2001, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire January 18, 2002, wherein the Examiner required restriction between Group I - claims 1-12 and 16-26, drawn to a product and Group II, claims 13-15 and 27-30, drawn to a method, Applicants elect without traverse, Group I - claims 1-12 and 16-26, for initial prosecution on the merits. In addition, Applicants further elect Embodiment 1 set forth in the specification and identify claims 1-12 as reading on the elected species/embodiment.

Applicants also reserve the right to file a Divisional Application for the nonelected claims 13-15 and 27-30, which the Examiner has indicated is patentably distinct.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0417.

Respectfully submitted,

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